



Colonel David F. McAllister
Chief of Police

NEWS RELEASE

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Bluffton Police executed a search warrant of 28 Lakeside Drive which resulted in the arrest of Jeremy Bennett Williams for Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.

The investigation resulted from the Bluffton Police Department's association with the South Carolina Internet Crimes against Children Task Force (ICAC). A cyber tip was sent by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to an ICAC investigator with the Charleston Police Department. That tip led to identifying Williams as a suspect involved in the exploitation of minors. Working with ICAC and Charleston Police Department, the investigation into this incident developed probable cause to obtain a search warrant for Williams' residence and his subsequent arrest.

Williams' residence was searched today at 11:00 a.m. and he was arrested on scene. He was transported to the Beaufort County Detention Center to await a bond hearing.

The investigation into this incident is on going. Do to the sensitivity of this investigation, only limited information will be available at this time. The ICAC Task Force was essential in alerting local law enforcement of this incident. The prosecution will be handled by the South Carolina Attorney General who leads the ICAC Task Force.

ARRESTED



Jeremy Bennett Williams
28 Lakeside Drive
Bluffton, SC 29910
DOB: 10-25-1953

CHARGE

Sexual Exploitation of a Minor – SC 16-15-405 (Felony)

